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> RECEPTORS, METHODS FOR THEIR USE AND MOLECULAR SWITCH FOR GENE THERAPY

Group Art Unit: 1633

Examiner: Christopher Drabik

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

On August 29, 2001, a non-final office action was mailed with a reply date set for November 29, 2001. With this reply, Applicants request a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), thereby making the deadline to respond February 28, 2002. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Lyon & Lyon Deposit Account No. 12-2475 for the extension of time fees and any other fees necessitated by this filing.

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